

**RAMIFICATIONS OF AUTO INDUSTRY
BANKRUPTCIES**

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on Ramifications of Auto Industry Bankruptcies. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**FEDERAL COCAINE SENTENCING
UNFAIRNESS**

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on Unfairness in Federal Cocaine Sentencing: Is it time to Crack the 100 to 1 Disparity? including discussion of the following bills: H.R. 1459, Fairness in Cocaine Sentencing Act of 2009; H.R. 1466, Major Drug Trafficking Prosecution Act of 2009; H.R. 265, Drug Sentencing Reform and Cocaine Kingpin Trafficking Act of 2009; H.R. 2178, Crack-Cocaine Equitable Sentencing Act of 2009; and H.R. 18, Powder-Crack Cocaine Penalty Equalization Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Representatives Rangel, Jackson-Lee of Texas; Bartlett and Waters; Lanny A. Breuer, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Ricardo H. Hinojosa, U.S. District Court Judge, Southern District of Texas and Acting Chair, U.S. Sentencing Commission; and public witnesses.

**OVERSIGHT—FUTURE OF FOREST
ECONOMY**

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands held an oversight hearing on the Future of the Forest Economy. Testimony was heard from Representative Herger; Randy Moore, Regional Forester, Forest Service, USDA; Steve Wilensky, Calaveras County District 2 Supervisor, San Andreas, California; and public witnesses.

**STAKEHOLDERS' VIEWS ON THE
NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS
ADMINISTRATION**

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives held a hearing entitled "Stakeholders' Views on the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**TRANSPORTATION SECURITY
ADMINISTRATION AUTHORIZATION ACT**

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2200, the "Transportation Security Administration Authorization Act." The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Homeland Security.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Homeland Security shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute except those arising under clause 10 of rule XXI.

The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the Committee report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in this report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against the amendments except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI are waived. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Thompson of Mississippi and Representatives Snyder, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Dent, Souder, Daniel E. Lungren of California, Bachus, Mich and Hastings of Washington.

SMALL BIOFUELS AND FAMILY FARMERS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Regulations and Healthcare held a hearing entitled "Impacts of Outstanding Regulatory Policy on Small Biofuels Producers and Family Farmers." Testimony was heard from Cheryl Cook, Deputy Under Secretary, Rural Development, USDA; Margo Oge, Director, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, Office of Air and Radiation, EPA; and public witnesses.

VETERANS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1522, United States Cadet Nurse Corps Equity Act; H.R. 1982, Veterans Entitlement to Service (VETS) Act of 2009, and H.R. 2270, Benefits for Qualified World War II Veterans Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lowey and Kilpatrick, of Michigan; and Bradely G. Mayes, Director, Compensation and Pension Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on the following